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1. Three large building slips, between 200 and 250 meters long, were seen [redacted] past the Zhdanov Shipyard in Leningrad on 11 December 1953. The three building slips were surrounded by high iron structures, about 50 meters high, which were fitted with rigid transverse girders and traveling crabs on their lower sides. Informants did not see new ships on the stocks in an advanced stage of construction; it was possible to look through the iron structures at a height of about five meters from the ground. Because the noise of riveting hammers was heard and the glare of welding torches was observed, informants believed that some ships were in an initial stage of construction. Welding and riveting operations also were observed [redacted]
2. Three naval vessels, each about 150 meters long, were moored in the harbor basin at the Zhdanov Shipyard. Scaffoldings were still visible on the tower-shaped masts and also amidships. Painting scaffolds were hung over the sides; for the most part, the ships still had only a minimum coat of paint, although they had already been painted gray in some spots. [redacted] A twin gun turret was observed on the foredeck of each vessel. [redacted] had two rather thin stacks, which were located close together; the after stack was slightly lower than the forward one. A gun turret without barrels was located on each side near the stacks. The three vessels had not yet been fitted with masts. 25X1
3. A merchant ship of about 2,000 DWT was seen at the Kanonerskiy Shipyard and three or four submarines were moored at the shipyard quay. Two other submarines, [redacted] were being towed to the shipyard. Two men were observed on the conning tower and one man on the foredeck of each of the submarines. The two submarines had an estimated displacement of 750 tons each. Each had a closed conning tower with a small canvas-covered conning bridge. A tube with a bulb-shaped end, which informants believed was a snorkel, was located in the middle of the conning tower. Two guns under loose tarpaulins, one forward and one aft of the conning tower, were on deck, and another canvas-covered gun or machine gun was on the after step of the conning tower. The submarines had no antennas or net cutters. (For a sketch of submarine [redacted] see page 2) 25X1

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4. Five to seven submarines, apparently under repair, were seen at the Kanonerskiy Shipyard on 13 December 1953. One of the submarines, [redacted] with an estimated displacement of about 500 tons, left the shipyard under its own power. The submarine was about 50 meters long, and it had a steep short conning tower with an open bridge, a light gun on the foredeck, a slightly raised bow, and no net cutter.

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1. [redacted] Comment: The Kanonerskiy Shipyard is generally used for the repair of merchant ships.

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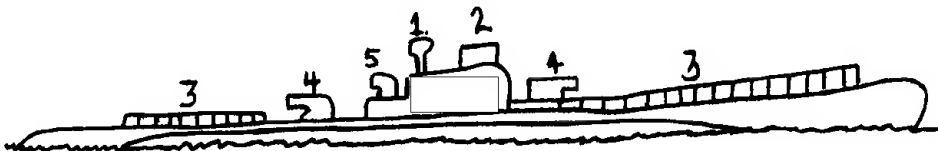
Legend to the Sketch of Soviet Submarine [redacted]

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1. A tube with a bulb-shaped end, which informants believed was a snorkel.
2. Canvas-covered conning bridge.
3. Yellow metal rail.
4. Canvas-covered guns.
5. Canvas-covered light gun.

Sketch of Soviet Submarine [redacted]

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